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Jocelyn G. Boyd, Esquire
Chief Clerk & Administrator
Public Service Commission of South Carolina
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Re: Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC for Approval of New Cost Recovery Mechanism and Portfolio of Demand-Side Management and Energy Efficiency Programs
Docket No. 2013-298-E

Dear Ms. Boyd:

By this letter, the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") hereby notifies the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") that ORS has reviewed and supports the letter submitted by Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC ("DEC" or the "Company") on December 15, 2017, in the above referenced Docket. In the letter, the Company requests Commission approval to end the Smart Energy in Healthcare Pilot Program tariff effective December 31, 2017.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments in this matter.

Sincerely,

Andrew M. Bateman

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